

A PASTOR AND A BACARDI

PASTOR STEPHEN

THE BREEDING OF TROTTERS IN AUSTRALIA HAS TAKEN SOME GIANT STEPS FORWARD IN RECENT YEARS AND ESPECIALLY WITH THE AVAILABILITY OF FROZEN SEMEN FROM NORTH AMERICA AND EUROPE.

Many of these stallions have been champions on the racetracks of their various jurisdictions. So in 2020 another champion colt in the form of **Pastor Stephen**, the USTA Two Year Old Colt of the Year in 2010, becomes available through Northern Rivers Equine.

Pastor Stephen won ten races as a two and three year old on the tough North American circuit, prior to a broken coffin bone in August of his 3 year old season all but finished his race career. To that point he had a career record of 1.52.8 and earnings of \$1,048,607.

He is a son of the 2003 USTA Two Year Old Trotter of the Year Cantab Hall, who compiled a perfect ten from ten record in that year. Since retiring to Stud in 2005, Cantab Hall has become a dominant Stallion with progeny earnings now closing in on \$100 million.

As at 20th October of this season there are Three sons of Cantab Hall appearing in the top 12 stallions on the USTA All Age Trotters Sires List.

One of those sons in Father Patrick is in fact a younger Full Brother to **Pastor Stephen**.

The legendary horseman Jimmy Takter trained **Pastor Stephen** so some three years later when Father Patrick was ready to start his race career, Jimmy Takter made sure he had a stall in his barn for the exciting Full brother.

Of course Father Patrick didn't let him down winning 23 of his 33 lifetime starts as well as banking \$2,558,133 along the journey. He has commenced his Siring career like a space rocket with the likes of the lightning fast Greenshoo 1.49.8 \$1.353 million is his first crop and the brilliant Colt and Filly Amigo Volo and Sister Sledge in his second crop.

The **Pastor Stephen** frozen semen is now available and in fact his first Australian mare Shesasundon was bred last weekend at Northern Rivers Equine.

Northern Rivers Equine owner, Dr Kath McIntosh, was delighted with the quality of the semen.

“ Post thawing it looked excellent, as good as I've seen with frozen semen. Dr Kath McIntosh



Pastor Stephen is a powerfully built and great looking stallion. Do yourself a favour and have a peak at a short video of him, filmed in Lexington, Kentucky about 4 weeks ago. The video is available on the website www.nrequine.com.au

His Service Fee for this season is \$5,500 incl GST and Pay On a Live Foal basis.

BACARDI LINDY

BACARDI LINDY WAS AN \$115,000 YEARLING PURCHASE RIGHT BACK IN 2004, SO A GOOD REFLECTION ON HIS IMPECCABLE BREEDING AND CORRECT CONFORMATION.

He is a son of the millionaire Trotter S J's Photo and the \$900,000 winning mare Rum Boogie, who in turn is sired by the breed changing stallion Valley Victory.

So he certainly had a license to be imported to Australia as a stallion and particularly after winning 8 of his 26 lifetime starts in North America and compiling a two season record of 1.52.8 and \$207,326 in earnings.

Bacardi Lindy's first Australian foals arrived in 2009 and he now has sired 95 individual winners of \$4.778 million with quite an outstanding average earnings per starter of almost \$36,000 for his 133 starters.

As a comparison Australasia's leading Trotting sire Majestic Son has an average in Australia of \$34,880 per starter for his 178 starters.

Bacardi Lindy has sired eleven Trotters who have earned over \$100,000 in Australia with five of those being females including the outstanding Claudys Princess - winner of Vicbred Finals as a 2, 3 and 4 year old as well as the Victorian and NSW Trotters Oaks.

Two of his progeny who have made their presence felt on Victorian tracks this season are the Kylie Sugars trained and driven Sammy Showdown 1.56.4 [winner of 11 of his 28 starts] and the 3 year old Filly Rum Junction - winner of the Group One Vicbred Home Grown Classic in December 2019.



Bacardi Lindy is now permanently based in New Zealand but is available to Australian breeders this season with frozen semen at Northern Rivers Equine at a Fee of \$2,200 - Pay on Live Foal.

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